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Please amend paragraph 1 on page 15 as follows.

[0052] The ~~judgement~~judgment operation unit 42 is to judge the cutting-out ranges in the time-axis of the input audio data D10 based on the self correlation coefficients supplied from the self correlation coefficient calculation units 40 and 41. And if there exists a ~~big difference~~deviation between the value of the self correlation coefficient D40 and the value of the self correlation coefficient D41 supplied from the self correlation coefficient calculation units 40 and 41 respectively, this shows that the condition of audio waveform expressed in digital, which is contained in the correlation window AR1 and the condition of audio waveform expressed in digital, which is contained in the correlation window AR2 are ~~extremely~~ different. That is, this shows that audio waveforms of the correlation windows AR1 and AR2 ~~are in an abnormal condition with~~have no similarity.

Please amend paragraph 2 on page 16 as follows.

[0056] On the other hand, in the case where there is no ~~big difference~~deviation between the value of the self correlation coefficient D40 and the value of the self correlation coefficient D41 supplied from the self correlation coefficient calculation units 40 and 41 respectively, this shows that the condition of audio waveform expressed in digital, which is contained in the correlation window AR1 and the condition of audio waveform expressed in digital, which is contained in the correlation window AR2 are not different~~extremely~~, i.e., this shows that the audio waveforms are similar~~in the normal conditions with similarity~~.